

**To:** Harrison, Melissa[Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov]  
**Cc:** Gray, David[gray.david@epa.gov]; Russo, Rebecca[Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov]; Zito, Kelly[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV]; Purchia, Liz[Purchia.Liz@epa.gov]  
**From:** Card, Joan  
**Sent:** Tue 8/11/2015 12:19:19 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Water quality info

Melissa, thanks for joining the team in Durango. Your help there is key.

Joan Card  
Senior Policy Advisor  
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Sent from my EPA iPhone

On Aug 11, 2015, at 6:14 AM, Harrison, Melissa <[Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov](mailto:Harrison.Melissa@epa.gov)> wrote:

Thanks everyone! Appreciate the update. Lots of time on planes yesterday, so wanted to make sure we didn't miss something.

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On Aug 11, 2015, at 6:11 AM, Gray, David <[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)> wrote:

Melissa,

Not to press or public posting. It went to congressional staff as early notice on what we were working on for public dissemination.

David

**From:** Harrison, Melissa  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 11, 2015 7:08 AM  
**To:** Gray, David  
**Cc:** Russo, Rebecca; Zito, Kelly; Card, Joan; Purchia, Liz  
**Subject:** Re: Water quality info

Did this go out last night? I don't think anyone from HQ comms reviewed. Moving forward please make sure to copy me and Liz.

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 10:48 PM, Gray, David <[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)> wrote:

+ Harrison

We are set to do cong notification

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 11:43 PM, Russo, Rebecca <[Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov)> wrote:

Are you still up? Think we're going to go in a minute

Rebecca A. Russo

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**From:** Zito, Kelly  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 10:24 PM  
**To:** Gray, David  
**Cc:** Russo, Rebecca; Card, Joan  
**Subject:** Re: CBS This Morning Inquiry

Yes - seems fine

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 9:13 PM, "Gray, David" <[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)> wrote:

I am good and prepared to notify nm delegation

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 10, 2015, at 11:11 PM, Russo, Rebecca

<[Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov)> wrote:

Everyone good with this language? Sorry Kelly, I didn't cc you 10 minutes ago.

Rebecca A. Russo

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**From:** Russo, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 9:58 PM  
**To:** Card, Joan  
**Cc:** Gray, David  
**Subject:** RE: CBS This Morning Inquiry

I drafted this for release, which I agree should go out tonight if possible. Joan – is the highlighted area accurate? Will the water quality data fact sheet be released soon?

**Deliberative Process/Ex. 5**

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**From:** Card, Joan

**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 9:15 PM

**To:** Russo, Rebecca

**Cc:** Gray, David

**Subject:** Re: CBS This Morning Inquiry

David, do you agree we should? I'd say so.

Joan Card

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 9:09 PM, Russo, Rebecca  
<[Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov)> wrote:

Am I doing this tonight?

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 8:09 PM, Card, Joan  
<[Card.Joan@epa.gov](mailto:Card.Joan@epa.gov)> wrote:

We could issue it as a separate blast to the Congs to  
remedy that. Sorry for not catching that sooner.

Joan Card

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 8:06 PM, Card, Joan  
<[Card.Joan@epa.gov](mailto:Card.Joan@epa.gov)> wrote:

+ David since this is new. We haven't given these  
details to Congs.

Joan Card

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 7:57 PM, Card, Joan  
<[Card.Joan@epa.gov](mailto:Card.Joan@epa.gov)> wrote:

It's long but it is the whole story right now. Go  
for it.

Joan Card

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On Aug 10, 2015, at 7:53 PM, Mylott, Richard  
<[Mylott.Richard@epa.gov](mailto:Mylott.Richard@epa.gov)> wrote:

I can. Kelly, Joan?

**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 7:46 PM  
**To:** Mylott, Richard; Smith, Paula; Zito, Kelly  
**Cc:** Card, Joan  
**Subject:** Re: CBS This Morning Inquiry

Should we add this from the water  
quality data fact sheet?

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**From:** Mylott, Richard  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 9:39 PM  
**To:** Smith, Paula; Purchia, Liz; Zito, Kelly  
**Cc:** Card, Joan  
**Subject:** RE: CBS This Morning Inquiry

Draft responses to questions from  
CBS News This Morning. Please  
review and provide any comments,  
suggestions.

Thx. Rich 303-312-6654

**At this point how much waste**



**water is coming out of the Gold  
King Mine?**

**Deliberative Process/Ex. 5**

**Where is the plume now? When do  
you anticipate it will reach Lake  
Powell?**

**Deliberative Process/Ex. 5**

**Any more information on potential  
risk to human health?**

## **Deliberative Process/Ex. 5**

**From:** Smith, Paula  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 7:17 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Zito, Kelly  
**Cc:** Mylott, Richard  
**Subject:** FW: CBS This Morning Inquiry

Yes.

**- Paula**

**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 6:43 PM  
**To:** Zito, Kelly; Smith, Paula

**Subject:** Re: CBS This Morning Inquiry

Paula - Seems like you all have enough info to answer here. Could you or Rich get back to her?

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**From:** Zito, Kelly  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 8:22 PM  
**To:** Purchia, Liz; Smith, Paula  
**Subject:** Fwd: CBS This Morning Inquiry

I know you guys are swamped... Any chance you can send her the update soon? Will that answer her questions?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Zuleta, Myra L"  
<[ZuletaM@cbsnews.com](mailto:ZuletaM@cbsnews.com)>  
**Date:** August 10, 2015 at 5:04:08 PM PDT  
**To:** "Gray, David"  
<[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)>, "Smith, Paula" <[Smith.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Smith.Paula@epa.gov)>, "Zito, Kelly" <[ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV](mailto:ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV)>  
**Subject: RE: CBS This Morning Inquiry**

Hi there,

Checking to see if someone will be able to get back to me tonight. This is for a piece we're working on for tomorrow morning.

Thank You

**From:** Gray, David  
[mailto:[gray.david@epa.gov](mailto:gray.david@epa.gov)]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 6:05 PM  
**To:** Zuleta, Myra L; Smith, Paula; Zito, Kelly  
**Subject:** RE: CBS This Morning Inquiry

Hi Myra,

Paula will get back with you on your questions since she is in Colorado.

David

**From:** Zuleta, Myra L  
[mailto:[ZuletaM@cbsnews.com](mailto:ZuletaM@cbsnews.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 4:50 PM  
**To:** Smith, Paula; Gray, David; Zito, Kelly  
**Subject:** CBS This Morning Inquiry

Hi there,

I wanted to follow up with some questions I had after today's conference call....

At this point how much waste water is coming out of the Gold King Mine? I know yesterday it was around 500 gallons/minute. Is that still the same?

Where is the plume now? When do you anticipate it will reach Lake Powell?

Any more information on potential risk to human health?

Many thanks in advance,

Myra Zuleta

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